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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

James A. Thomson

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PRIMATE EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS

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1636

Examiner:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Attn: Dear Sir:

Box Non-Fee Amendment

In the above-described case, please amend the specification as follows:

Specification:

On page 1, delete lines 8-11 (the grant information), and replace the deletion with Not Applicable.

Remarks

A review of the funding history of the above application has confirmed that the United States government does not have grant funding rights to this divisional application. Applicant does not believe a fee is necessary to enter this amendment. However, if a fee is necessary, please charge deposit account 17-0055.